GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Chittoor District – Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, former Tahsildar, Rompicharla (M), Chittoor District (Retd.,) – Desciplinary proceedings initiated under rule 20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules 1991 - Article of Charges issued- Explanation submitted - Inquiry Officer appointed – Enquiry report submitted - conclusion of disciplinary proceedings under Rule 9 of the A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 – impose a penalty of "withholding of 2% pension for a period of two(2) years" on the Charged Officer – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 95 Dated: 25-02-2021.

Read the following:

1. From the CCLA, A.P., Lr.No.VS.II(1)/146/2019, Dated.12.03.2019.
2. G.O.Ms.No. 25, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:03.02.2020
3. G.O.Rt.No.187-192, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:03.02.2020.
4. G.O.Rt.No.339, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:12.03.2020
5. G.O.Rt.No.340, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:12.03.2020
6. From the Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor, Lr.No.ASECODP /14/2019 (A2), Dt:20.07.2020.
7. Govt.Memo.No.LANA0CCLV(DISC)/40/2019-Vig.III(2), Dt:25.08.2020.
8. Govt.Memo.No.LANA0CCLV(DISC)/40/2019-Vig.III(2)-2, Dt:13.11.2020.
9. Explanation dt:16.11.2020 of Sri Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd), Chittoor District.
10. Letter.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/73/2019-Vig.III(2)-7, Dt:23.12.2020
11. From the Secretary, APPSC, Letter.No.35/DC&C/2021, DT:27.01.2021

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada has informed that the District Collector, Chittoor has recommended to initiate disciplinary action against (1) Sri S.L.N.Ananda Kumar, Tahsildar (Retd) (2) Sri V.Nagarjuna Reddy, Tahsildar (Retd) and (3) Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd), as they have committed irregularities by making fraudulent online entries for the land in Sy.No.188-2B extent 3.58 Acs, while they were working as Tahsildars, Rompicherla Mandal. Since, the above three Tahsildars are retired from Service, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada has requested the Government to initiate departmental proceedings against the said retired Tahsildars, under rule-9 of APRP Rules, 1980.

2. After examining the proposal of the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada, Government has initiated Common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of A.P Revised Pension Rules, 1980, vide ref 2nd read above and framed AoCs against Sri S.L.N.Anand Kumar, Sri V.Nagarjuna Reddy and Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, former Tahsildars (now Retd) of Rompicharla (M), Chittoor District, vide G.O.Rt.Nos.192,191 and 190, dt:03.02.2020 respectively and directed them to submit their written statement of defence. Accordingly, the Charged Officers have submitted their Written Statements of Defense denying the charges. Since the written explanations submitted by the three Charged Officers are not convincing Government have appointed the District Revenue Officer, Chittoor as Inquiry officer and RDO, Madanapalle as presenting officer, vide the ref 4th and 5th read above respectively, to inquiry into the charges framed against the 3 Charged Officers.

3. In the reference The District Collector, Chittoor has submitted the enquiry report of the Inquiry Officer/DRO, Chittoor, wherein the Inquiry officer held that the charges are proved against the Charged Officers, to the Government for taking further necessary action, vide the ref 6th read above.

4. Government, after careful examination of the inquiry officer report has accepted the findings of the Inquiry Officer/ DRO, Chittoor. Further, a copy of the inquiry report was communicated to the Charged Officers as required under rule 21 (2) of A.P.C.S

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(CC&A) Rules, 1991 r/w Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for submitting their explanation if any, on the findings of the enquiry officer, vide the ref 7th read above. In reply, the Charged Officer Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd) has submitted his further explanation on the findings of the Charged Officers.

5. Government, after careful examination of the Enquiry report and the explanation of the Charged Officer Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd), have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding of 2% pension for a period of 2 years" against him for the charges held proved, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules,1980. Accordinlgy, he was directed to show cause as to why the proposed penalty should not be imposed upon him, within a period of ten (10) days from the date of receipt of this show cause notice, failing which, it will be construed that he has no explanation to offer and further action will be taken based on the material available on record and as per relevant Rules, vide the ref 8th read above.

6. In response to the Show Cause Notice, the Charged Officer i.e, Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd), has submitted his explanation reiterating his earlier explanation and requested to exonerate him from the above article of charge.

7. Government after examination of the explanation of the delinquent officer, has decided to impose a punishment of "withholding of 2% pension for a period of two years" against the Charged Officer Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd). Accordingly, the Secretary, APPSC was requested to place the above proposal of the Government before the Commission and furnish their concurrence to the Government for taking further action in the matter, vide the reference 10th read above.

8. In the reference 11th read above, the Secretary, APPSC has informed that after careful examination of the disciplinary case in the light of the records made available, Commission agrees with the proposals of the Government, to impose a punishment of "withholding of 2% pension for a period of two years" against the Charged Officer Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, Tahsildar (Retd) and advised accordingly.

9. Government, after careful examination of the matter have decided to confirm the provisional decision taken and accordingly hereby impose a penalty of "withholding of 2% pension for a period of two years" against the Charged Officer Sri Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, former Tahsildar, Rompicharla (M), Chittoor District (Retd.,) in terms of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

10. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada / the Collector, Chittoor District shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V.USHARANI,
PRINICIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri P.Venkatakrishnudu, former Tahsildar, Rompicharla (M), Chittoor District (Retd.,)
through Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor District.

Copy to:-

The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Hyderabad.
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada.
Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER